

Reflective Conversation Sample Questions

Summarize impressions and recall supporting information

- What are your thoughts/feelings about the lesson?
- What are you specifically recalling that leads you to those thoughts/feelings?
- Given your impressions of the lesson, what might we talk about that would be most useful to you?
- What are some of the things you're noticing about your own reactions to this event?
- As you reflect on your lesson what are some of the things that come to mind?
- As you mentally replay your experience, what is most vivid?
- What are you most curious about when you recall this experience?

Analyze the lesson

- Describe some of the differences between what you planned and what occurred.
- What are some of your hunches about the reasons for this?
- What are some comparisons you would make between this lesson and other lessons?
- What are some of the variables that might have affected these outcomes?
- What are some specific patterns or trends that seem to be emerging?
- What criteria did you use to decide to _____?
- What are some of the things you did to make it go so well?
- Which of your skills seemed most useful?

Construct new learnings

- What learnings are you taking away from this experience?
- What are some new connections that you are making?
- Given this experience, what are some new goals you are setting?
- What are some things you are taking away from this experience that will influence your future practice?
- What are some of the things that you are learning about, (yourself, your students, the curriculum, this unit, this aspect of teaching)?
- Imagine you could write a message to yourself and put it in a box that you would open next year. What might it say?

Commit to application

- When in the future might you be able to apply this new learning?
- How might that look, specifically?

Reflect on the coaching process

- What comparisons might you make about your thinking now compared to when we began this conversation?
- What has worked for you during this conversation?
- What might be some of the specific things about this conversation that were helpful?